

# Questions to ask about Technology in YOUR Child's School- a "baker's dozen"!

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**DOES EVERY STUDENT HAVE ACCESS TO A COMPUTER OR IS ACCESS RESTRICTED TO ONLY A SELECT GROUP?**

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**ARE COMPUTERS USED FOR OTHER THINGS BESIDES DRILL AND PRACTICE?**

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**ARE COMPUTERS AVAILABLE IN YOUR CHILD'S CLASSROOM WHEN NEEDED OR ONLY IN A COMPUTER LAB WHICH MUST BE SCHEDULED AHEAD OF TIME?**

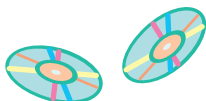


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**IS THERE A STUDENT TECHNOLOGY LEADERSHIP PROGRAM (STLP) IN YOUR CHILD'S SCHOOL? ARE ALL CHILDREN ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE?**

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**DO STUDENTS IN YOUR CHILD'S SCHOOL USE THE COMPUTER TO DO RESEARCH, COMPOSE ROUGH DRAFTS AS WELL AS FINISH THEIR PORTFOLIO PIECES ON THE COMPUTER?**



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**ARE COMPUTER RESEARCH TOOLS (CD-ROMS AND THE INTERNET) AVAILABLE IN THE LIBRARY?**

**7**

**DOES YOUR CHILD HAVE AN EMAIL ACCOUNT AT THE SCHOOL? IF SO IS HE/SHE ALLOWED TO USE IT FOR COMMUNICATION ABOUT LEARNING?**



**8**

**CAN YOU AND YOUR CHILD SEE HIS/HER TEACHER'S LESSON PLANS ON THE WEB?**



**9**

**HAVE YOU SIGNED AN "APPROPRIATE USE POLICY" (AUP) FOR YOUR CHILD TO USE A COMPUTER FOR SCHOOL WORK?**

**10**

**DOES THE SCHOOL OFFER TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES FOR BOTH STUDENTS AND ADULTS?**



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**DO ALL YOUR CHILD'S TEACHERS RECEIVE TRAINING IN USING COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY? IS THIS DEMONSTRATED BY THE TEACHER'S USE OF TECHNOLOGY IN HIS/HER CLASSROOM?**

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**DOES THE PRINCIPAL TALK ABOUT HOW TECHNOLOGY IS BEING USED IN THE SCHOOL?**

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**DO STUDENTS USE THE COMPUTER TO SHOW WHAT THEY'VE LEARNED IN ALL CONTENT AREAS?**

